

ANDHRA LOYOLA COLLEGE ::VIJAYAWADA 520008  
ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017  
**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT**

The meeting of the Board of Management was held on Friday, 07.04.2017 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference Hall. Rev Fr P. S. Amalraj, SJ, Provincial and President, Board of Management, presided over the meeting. The meeting was attended by the following members.

**Members Present:**

1.	Rev Fr. P. S. Amalraj, SJ, Provincial	Chairman
2.	Rev Fr. D. Ravi Sekhar, SJ, Rector, ALC	Vice Chairman
3.	Rev Fr. S. Raju, SJ	Correspondent, ALC
4.	Rev Fr. Dr. G. A. P. Kishore, SJ, Principal, ALC	Secretary
5.	Rev Br. B. Thomas, S.J	Treasurer
6.	Rev Fr. N. Bujji Babu, SJ	Controller of Examinations
7.	Rev Fr. Dr. A. Francis Xavier, SJ	Management Representative
8.	Rev Fr. Dr. K. S. Casimir, SJ	Educationist
9.	Dr. K. Gangeswara Rao	Govt. Nominee
10.	Prof. D. Suryachandra Rao	University Nominee
11.	Dr. Ch. Srinivasu	Secretary-Academic Activities
12.	Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao	Staff Representative

**AGENDA**

1. Prayer– Rev Fr. D. Ravi Sekhar, SJ, Vice Chairman & Rector of ALC
2. Welcome – Rev Fr. S. Raju, SJ, Correspondent
3. A Brief Review of the Academic Year 2016-2017 – Fr. Principal
4. Presentation of the Minutes of Academic Council Meeting for the year 2016-2017 for Ratification – Dr. Ch. Srinivasu, Secretary, Academic Activities
5. Presentation of the Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting and the Financial Statement for the Grants received from UGC for ratification. – Fr. Principal
6. Any Other Matter with the Permission of the Chair
7. Chairman’s Concluding Remarks
8. Vote of Thanks – Rev. Fr. N. Bujji Babu, SJ, Controller of Examinations

The proceedings commenced with Rev. Fr. Ravi Sekhar, SJ, Vice President and Rector, rendering a prayer to invoke God's blessings for the fruitful conduct of the proceedings.

At the outset, Rev Fr. P. S. Amalraj, SJ, the Chairman, welcomed the members and informed them that Andhra Loyola College (Autonomous) is accredited at A+ Grade with a CGPA of 3.66 out of 4.00 by NAAC in III Cycle as per the Revised Grading. He also added that the College has secured 24<sup>th</sup> Rank in All India Ranking Framework by MHRD. He thanked God the Almighty for the great achievement we have made.

Then, the Chairman, Board of Management, requested Fr. Correspondent, to welcome the members. Fr. Correspondent cordially invited and welcomed each and every member of the Board of Management.

Getting down to the business, the Chairman asked Rev Fr. Dr. G.A.P. Kishore, SJ, Principal, to present a brief review of academic activities during the academic year 2016-2017. Fr. Principal informed the members that the College has been accredited at A+ Grade with CGPA of 3.66 by NAAC in III Cycle as per the Revised Grading as on 28.03.2017. Among 1405 Colleges our College stands at 8<sup>th</sup> Place in the Country and stands at 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. He also informed that the College stands at 24<sup>th</sup> place in All India Ranking Framework awarded by MHRD. He then presented the Academic Review during 2016-17, which highlighted the following:

- Profile of the College, Staff appointments, Staff and students' strength
- Staff Retirements: Dr. G. Subrahmanya Sastry of Chemistry, Sri Ch. Seshiah of Mathematics and Dr. J. Chandra Sekhar Rao of Botany.
- Examination Results
- Number of Courses offered
- Inauguration of Rev. Fr. T. A. Mathias, S. J, Girls Hostel (UGC Grant of 80,00,000/-)
- Launch of ALAN-MANNA
- INSPIRE (DST) Internship Science Camp (Grant of Rs.9,75,000/-)
- UGC Career-Oriented Courses in Telugu Performing Folk Art Forms and Green House Management (Grant of Rs.15,30,000/-)

- Minor Research Projects (UGC Grant of Rs.6,85,000/-)
- National Seminars/Workshops (UGC Grant of Rs.3,78,000/-) by HEPSN, Hindi, Botany, Microbiology, Political Science and Mathematics
- National Seminar by the Dep.t of Ethics & Religion (Grant of Rs.1,00,000/), National Seminar by the Departments of Arts and Science
- Faculty Development Programmes in E-Content Development and English Communication Skills by the IQAC
- Activities under the DBT Star College Scheme
- A Three-Day International Conference by the Departments of Botany, Biotechnology and Microbiology
- Special Appreciation Awards for Research and Special Awards for Organizational Assistance to the teaching Faculty
- Research Activities including Faculty being awarded Ph.D./ Submission of Ph.D. Theses and Research Guidance by Staff members
- Faculty's Professional Contribution including Papers Presented, Publications, Guest Lectures Delivered, Guest Lectures Organized, Seminars
- Workshops Conducted by the Departments, Participation in Seminars/Workshops and Services Rendered as Resource Persons
- Library activities including Loyola Reviewers Association's Book Review programmes
- Academic Enrichment of Students including Pratibha Awards by A.P. State Government, Students' Participation in Literary and Cultural Programmes and winning of Individual Prizes of Merit
- Achievements of NCC cadets and NSS volunteers.
- Activities of NSS and Extension Programme by ALANA, ALERT, EOC, HEPSN, NGC and Women's Cell
- Jawahar Knowledge Centre and students' placements
- Hostel Life
- Implementation of Student Welfare Schemes and Management Freeships and Scholarships for students

The Chairman appreciated Fr. Principal for presenting an exhaustive Review of the Academic Activities conducted during the academic year. He noted and appreciated the creditable performance and numerous achievements made by the faculty under the leadership of Fr. Principal and congratulated him on the same. The Chairman observed that the institutional recognitions received, this academic year, from both the State and Central Governments speak eloquent of the tremendous progress being made by the College.

### **Ratifications:**

Taking up the next item on the agenda, the Chairman asked the Secretary-Academic Activities, to present the minutes of the Academic Council Meeting.

Dr. Ch. Srinivasu, Secretary-Academic Activities, presented the minutes of the Academic Council including starting of three new courses, namely, (1) a Four-Year B. Ed. Integrated Course subject to the NCTE permission; (2) B. Sc. Course with Mathematics, Computer Science and Pharmaceutical Chemistry; (3) B. Sc. Course with Chemistry, Pharmaceutical Chemistry & Microbiology and (4) B. Sc. Course with Chemistry, Pharmaceutical Chemistry & Mathematics as well as to start additional sections in B.Sc. Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry and B.Sc., Mathematics, Physics and Computer Science from the academic year 2017-18 in the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2017 and sought ratification of the same.

**The Board of Management ratified the minutes of the Academic Council for the year 2016-2017.**

Later, Fr. Principal presented the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 06.04.2017, the Financial Statement for the grants received from UGC for the year 2016-2017 and the proposed budget for the Autonomous Account for the year 2017-2018 and sought ratification of the same.

Responding to the suggestion made by Fr. Dr. A. Francis Xavier, SJ, Management Representative, to consider the feasibility of enhanced budget allocation for Teaching Aids and Laboratory Equipment in the Autonomous Grant for the year 2017-2018, Fr. Principal said that the allocation was made taking into consideration the expected release of grants to different Science Departments under the Star College Scheme.

**With the foregoing clarification, the Board of Management unanimously ratified the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee.**

**Observations/Suggestions:**

When Fr. Casimir asked about the purpose of starting the Pharmaceutical Courses, Fr. Francis Xavier informed that these courses would be started keeping in view the New Capital that has come up with a number of Industries.

The Chairman recalled the suggestion made by Prof. Y.K. Sundara Krishna that Private Universities are coming up at Amaravati and they have freedom to change the syllabi as per the requirement of industries. Unless we have freedom to change the syllabi and structure of the course our students are going to face a lot of problems.

Responding to him, Fr. Principal informed the members that the primary Universities have to get their recognition from the UGC. Any University or Autonomous College has a procedure to frame their own syllabi to suit the needs of the students, the local bodies and the Industry; but the so-called Aided Courses are being operated under the administration of the Higher Education Dept., of the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh and in particular the CCE. So, we do not have much freedom to change the syllabi of the so-called Aided Traditional Courses. As a remedial measure, the APSCHE and the Commissioner of Collegiate Education have taken a few steps to restructure these courses whereas, for restructured courses we have freedom to frame and restructure the syllabi. The restructuring is still taking place within a particular structure of the Course. In this context, Prof. Sundara Krishna observed that we have to make a representation to the authority concerned and to the Government.

Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao said that till 2008 we were offering the traditional courses, whereas during the last one decade we are the pioneers of introducing new courses like, B.Sc. Visual Communication, B.Sc. Electronics or B. Voc. Courses and he expressed his opinion for the following points.

- 1) We are unable to give wide publicity to these new courses and we have to give wide publicity.

- 2) He suggested that when we introduce a new course we have to involve the departmental people together who can do better in this area.
- 3) Though we are doing a lot, the students still attract for traditional courses rather than the innovative courses.

Fr. Principal said that we have different kinds of mindset as far as MPC and HEP are concerned.

- 4) He also suggested strengthening of B. Voc. Courses by involving the skilled people as Teachers and Trainers.

The Chairman thanked and appreciated him for the idea of giving wide publicity and also for certain amount of transparency.

The RJD has agreed with the suggestion given by Prof. Y.K. Sundara Krishna. He also expressed his happiness being a member of the Board of Management. He congratulated Fr. Principal and the staff for their sincere efforts for getting 3.66 in NAAC Accreditation and 24<sup>th</sup> rank in NRIF.

Dr. Ch. Srinivas, Secretary-Academic Activities, observed that the interaction in the Academic Council went on well on different issues. The clusters that we offer are really different from others, he added.

Fr. Casimir congratulated and appreciated Fr. Principal and staff for achieving 3.66 in NAAC Accreditation and 24<sup>th</sup> Rank in NRIF.

Fr. Correspondent appreciated the members for all their concern shown on greater, larger, competent and independent personnel strengthening the College in a given infrastructural facilities.

Fr. Francis Xavier said that by 2020 the Government would bring up a number of Industries in the Capital. Talking about new Courses he suggested to have a good tie up with the Industries.

Fr. Rector expressed his happiness for starting new Courses. He also informed the members to think of publicity. Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao expressed his sincere thanks to the Management for guiding the faculty in all aspects.

As far as research and publications are concerned, if we go through the NIRF Ranking, whatever papers we have submitted to NIRF they have not accepted them. He suggested to find ways and means to enhance the quality rather than quantity.

The Chairman had an opinion having a fruitful and constructive discussion and assured that Fr. Principal and the staff would discuss and come out. He congratulated Dr. K. Gangeswara Rao, RJD, for extending his support for achieving all these things. He also congratulated Sri G. Mathew Srirangam and Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao, and other staff members for putting their efforts in getting NAAC Accreditation and NIRF Ranking.

At the end, the Chairman felicitated Mr. G. M. Srirangam and Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao for their contribution in achieving the much coveted score in the NAAC Accreditation and NRIF Ranking.

**Vote of Thanks:** Fr. N. Bujji Babu, SJ, Controller of Examinations proposed a vote of thanks. He thanked all the members present, especially the Government Nominee Dr. K. Gangeswara Rao and Educationist Rev Fr. Dr. K. S. Casimir, SJ and Rev Fr. Dr. A. Francis Xavier, for their active participation in the proceedings. He noted the contribution of each individual member and thanked them for their valuable suggestions, guidance and support.

(FR. DR. G. A. P. KISHORE, SJ)